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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 17, 2000, said period of response being extended from October 17, 2000 to January 17, 2001.

Our check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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